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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that this declaration pertains to a new application, which is a conversion from Provisional Application Serial No. 60/440,205, filed January 14, 2003, to a utility application.

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are stated below next to my name. I believe that I am the original inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: "**Latching Door Stop for a Marine Vessel**," the specification of which is filed herewith.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and which is material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable Examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent.

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DECLARATION

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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